

### Pet Circus Tomorrow At El Nido

El Nido playground will be the scene of a pet circus Friday, August 20. Arrangements are being made for three rings—a dog ring, a cat ring, and a miscellaneous ring, with ribbons and rosettes in each classification.

Judging will begin at 10 o'clock. Registration will continue all week and up to time of judging.

Special ribbons will be awarded for the best circus act (involving pet and owner), in each ring, and a rosette for the most outstanding circus act in the entire show.

Ribbons will be given for the following: Oldest, youngest, largest, smallest, blackest, whitest, most colors, longest tail, longest hair, curliest, prettiest feathers, sleekest, best cared for, best behaved, best tricks, most spots, most unusual, and most interesting.

Dr. Ross will have a gift for each one entering a pet in the circus. This event is co-sponsored by the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation, the Torrance Unified School District, and the Torrance Recreation Department.

### 259th Place Playground To Close Friday

Playground activities at 259th Place School will come to an end tomorrow, August 20. The playground will remain closed until school opens on September 14. As a final event to the summer activities, a play day was held for the children under the direction of Mr. Meno Phillips and Miss Geraldine Joneich, playground directors.

Winners in the various contests were John Marinovich, shuffle-golf; Robert Clements, batting; Danny Fitzgerald, bean bag throwing; Ronnie Ohmohondro and John Marinovich, egg relay; Terry Hicks and Dickie Ricardo, egg relay.

The 259th Place softball team won the playoffs from Dolores Avenue School by a score of 5 to 4.

After the program watermelon was served to the children. Helping serve were Mesdames W. E. Zell, J. R. Stanton and C. R. Chitwood of the 259th Place P-TA.

### Kids' Camp-Out At El Retiro Furnishes Fun

Many children recently experienced their first all-night camp-out. El Retiro park became a camping ground for boys on Wednesday night, August 11, and for the girls on Thursday night, August 12.

Hamburgers, pork and beans, and salad were enjoyed by the boys while the girls tried their hand at spaghetti, tossed salad, ice cream and cookies.

After dinner the campers sat around an open fire exchanging stories, songs and roasting marshmallows. As the fire began to die down the children headed for their sleeping bags.

At 6 a.m. the directors, John Sudekum, Marla Wright, and Marion McDonald, were awak-

### Prizewinners Told At Ben Cluff Fete

Over 350 children and many parents enjoyed the party staged by Ben Cluff at Scott park last week.

Starting the morning with races, even the 3-year-olds demonstrated a surprising amount of speed. Games were played after the races... softball,

tennis, and carroms. Following this was the luncheon and chocolate milk, with some roasting wieners and marshmallows in the fire ring. During the stunts, Paul Means and Sharon Duprey were champions in the balloon exploding. Jan Ewalt won the balloon race, and Judy Keeney had the most control in the "stork stand."

### FINANCIAL IMPORT OF P-TA TOLD

According to Mrs. W. E. Zell, last year's treasurer for the 259th Place School, a study of the organization's treasury book will reveal the good that is done for the school children by the P-TA.

Out of a total of \$331.02 used to help the children, \$131 was spent on health. There were four tonsilectomies paid for by the P-TA. The operations were needed by children whose parents could not have possibly afforded it. Ninety dollars went to milk and lunches.

Miss Frances Dastaric, principal, calls needy cases to the attention of the P-TA welfare chairman, Mrs. G. Chambers, determine the extent of their needs and subsequently makes

### Y-Wives Card Party Tonite

The Torrance Y-Wives will have a card party tonight at the home of Mrs. Robert Bowen, 3301 Opal street, at 7:30 p.m. Bridge and canasta will be played, and there will be prizes. Cake and coffee will be served.

her recommendations. Clothing is another item that is furnished to some children who could not otherwise attend school.

Members of the P-TA who work diligently throughout the year to raise funds may be gratified to know that when financial assistance is needed by the children, the P-TA is able to furnish it.

### Scouters Picnic Set Aug. 31 At Torrance Park

The Los Angeles Area Council of the Boy Scouts is sponsoring the Harbor District Scouters and Spouses picnic on Tuesday, August 31 at 6:30 p.m. at Torrance Park, Santa Fe and Arlington avenues.

Committeemen, den mothers, unit leaders and their assistants, and commissioners are all urged to bring their families and be on hand for the festivities. Each group is to bring their own food and mess gear. Coffee, cream and sugar will be provided, but cups should be brought.

Program notebooks, planning sheets, program quarterlies and

### Card Winners At Adult Club Told

Adult Club staged a veritable "Ladies' Day" last week when thirty players gathered for pot-luck luncheon and cards.

Canasta winner was Betty Harrison, while Sadie Klein took top honors for pinochle, for the club on Thursday evenings from 7 to 11 p.m. according to Mrs. Arthur C. Jepsen, chairman of social activities.

Luke C. Nichol has been employed by the Torrance Unified Schools as utility driver effective September 1. A special theme book on rail-roading for the Cubbers will be distributed.

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